



## Project Team

Congestion Relief & Bus Rapid Transit Projects

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I-405, SR 520 to SR 522 Stage 1  
Design-Build Project

ATTENTION: All Short-listed Proposers

### Response To Questions No. 2

8. **Question:** Is it necessary for the Public Information Specialist to be on site for the duration of the project? See ITP Page 25 of 70.

**Response:** The ITP language “on site for the duration of the Project” means that the key personnel shall be assigned to the Project from NTP through completion. This language does not require that the key personnel be committed to the Project full time.

9. **Question:** Please clarify the intent of “ROADWAY SECTION A” on Sheet RS1:

Note #5 indicates a “0.15’ Plane Bituminous Pavement and Overlay”. Can the existing pavement be milled greater than 0.15’ resulting in a new profile grade lower than existing, as shown on various locations on the profile (i.e. SB Sta 4142+50), or should the proposed profile be raised to maintain the existing pavement thickness?

**Response:** The existing pavement section cannot be reduced in thickness. More than 0.15’ may be ground from the existing pavement, but an equal or greater thickness must be overlaid, resulting in no net loss to pavement section upon completion.

10. **Question:** In the Microstation base plan we received WSDOT has already merged the final 128<sup>th</sup> Street Direct Access ramps file into the base plan for the Kirkland job.

Can WSDOT provide the existing base plan Microstation file without the 128<sup>th</sup> ramps?

**Response:** Yes. The original topographic basemap Microstation file will be sent to the Proposers via US Mail. It is expected to go out today.

11. **Question:** Spec section 2.11.4.2.3 "Disposal of Surplus Material" states that "disposing of soils of any kind directly to a topsoil manufacturer is prohibited". The spec also prohibits disposal of the soils in Environmentally Sensitive Areas.

Why does WSDOT care about excess soils going to topsoil manufacturers? The excess wetland soils, if any, may be ideal to sell or give to a topsoil manufacturer for reuse of the organic soils.

**Response:** Department of Ecology (DOE) standards prohibit the addition of any material with contamination to a material or site with a lower level of contamination. This applies to a materials over-all level of contamination including naturally occurring substances. To avoid unmanageable requirements for testing and tracking of materials, WSDOT and DOE agreed to the contract language included in 2.11.4.2.3.

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